

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Cefali, Eugenio

Serial No.:

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Title:

INTERMEDIATE RELEASE NICOTINIC ACID COMPOSITIONS FOR

TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA WHICH EXHIBIT AN IN VIVO STAIR-

STEPPED ABSORPTION CURVE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a three (3) month extension of time up to and including 19 September 2004 for filing a Response to Office Action Mailed on 19 March 2004, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in the abovereferenced case. Please charge the required fee of \$950.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to our Deposit Account No. 50-2543. In addition, please also charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this matter to our deposit account.

As September 19, 2004 fell on a Sunday, this document is considered timely filed.

If there are any questions, please call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted.

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R., §1.10

I hereby certify that the attached papers are being deposited with the United States Postal service as: Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on 20 September 2004 and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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